

# Afghanistan Beat Ireland by 30 Runs in First ODI

KABUL - Afghanistan's National Cricket has defeated Ireland by 30 runs in the first One-Day International (ODI) at Greater Noida in India on Wednesday. Afghanistan batted first and set an impressive target of 292-7 in 50 overs. Ramat Shah scored 78 and Noor Ali Zadran 51. A William Porterfield century was not enough to prevent Ireland losing the first of five one-day internationals against Afghanistan by 30 runs.



Despite a brave attempt, Ireland fell short with 262 all out in 46.5 overs. Dawlat Zadran and Rashid Khan took four wickets apiece to help see the Afghans to victory. "In Every series, the first game is very important. Porterfield and Stirling played very well. Credit goes to Rashid Khan and Dawlat Zadran and it proved to be a very good comeback. The old ball was good for reverse ... (More on P4)...(15)

# Afghan Forces Seize Terrorist's Large Weapons Cache



KABUL - The Afghan security forces have seized a large cache of weapons, ammunition, explosives, and other types of military equipment from a school in Jalalabad city, the provincial capital of eastern Nangarhar province. The Afghan Intelligence, National Directorate of Security (NDS), said the cache was located inside a school in the 2nd police

district of Jalalabad city. According to a statement by NDS, the cache was discovered and seized during a special operation conducted by the operatives of the intelligence. According to NDS, the cache included seven RPG-7 rocket launchers, 4 Dshk heavy machine gun, two Ak-47 assault rifles, sixteen communication devices, ... (More on P4)...(18)

# Census: Afghans in Balochistan won't be Counted

PESHAWAR - The Pakistan's Balochistan High Court (BHC) has ordered the exclusion of Afghan refugees in Pakistan's 6th census and a count of internally displaced persons (IDPs) in the southern province. Tuesday's short order was issued on a constitutional petition filed by Mir Abdul Nabi Marri, a leader of the Balochistan National ... (More on P4)...(16)

# Kidnapped Australian Woman Released

KABUL - An Australian woman who was kidnapped in the Afghan capital last November has been released, police and the Australian government said on Wednesday. The woman, who was working for a non-governmental organisation, was released on Tuesday and has been handed over to the Australian embassy, Basir Mujahid, a spokesman for Kabul police, told Reuters. He said more details would be available ... (More on P4)...(20)

# Lashkargah-Nad Ali Highway Reopened

LASHKARGAH - Two militants have been killed and one wounded in the Gereshk district of southern Helmand province, while the Lashkargah-Nad Ali highway was reopened for security forces movement, an official said on Wednesday. Lt. Col. Mohammad Rasoul Zazai, spokesman for 215th military corps, told Pajhwok Afghan News the security forces reopened ... (More on P4)...(21)

# Afghan War-Affected Soldiers to Attend Invictus Games

KABUL - A seven-member team of war-affected Afghan soldiers would participate in the Invictus Games 2017 in Canada, an official said on Wednesday. The Afghan soldiers, who were wounded in the conflict, would join more than 500 soldiers with disabilities from 17 allied nations in Toronto from September 23 to 30.



The participants would play in 12 adaptive sports including archery, athletics, cycling, golf, the Jaguar and Land Rover Driving Challenge, pow-

erlifting, indoor rowing, sitting volleyball, swimming, wheelchair basketball, wheelchair rugby and wheelchair tennis.

Michael Burns, executive director of Invictus Games, told a press conference in Kabul that the seven injured Afghan sol-

diers would participate in the games. "There is a tremendous need here (in Afghanistan) and around the world for programs like the Invictus Games that support the recovery of ill and injured soldiers," he said. He called injured Afghan soldiers as strong players and said the Afghanistan team Afghanistan was worth to be counted. Ministry of Interior (MoI) spokesman Seddiq Seddiqi said the seven Afghan soldiers would participate in ... (More on P4)...(17)

# National Football Team off to Qatar for Friendly Match

KABUL - Seven members of the National Football Team left Kabul for Qatar on Wednesday for training and a friendly match against Singapore. Nineteen other players will join layers from Europe, Asia and the United States. Farshad Noor, Binjamin Najm, Jabar Sharza and Husain Alizada will join the 26 players in Doha. Meanwhile, Farzad Atae, Kawesh Haidari and Sharif Mohammad will also join the national team after a long absence. Masih



Saighani and Yusuf Sherdil will not play in the match. The Afghanistan Football Federation announced the names of the 26 play-

ers are as follows: · Owais Azizi, Hamidullah Wakili, Kawesh Haidari as goalkeepers; · Husain Amini, ... (More on P4)...(22)

# Drone Strikes Kill 17 IS Fighters

JALALABAD - Up to 17 insurgents loyal to the Islamic State (IS) have been confirmed dead after unmanned planes attacked the militants' hideouts in Achin and Mamandari districts of eastern Afghanistan's Nangarhar province early Wednesday, police said. "Acting upon intelligence reports, the unmanned planes conducted four sorties against enemies in Achin and Mamandari districts early today, killing 17 IS rebels," provincial police spokesman Hazrat Hussain Mashriqwal told



reporters here. Some of the killed militants are foreign nationals, the official said without identifying their nationalities. Neither civilians nor security personnel has been hurt in the attacks. Militants loyal to the hardliner IS group that are in control of parts

of the eastern Nangarhar province with Jalalabad as its capital 120 km east of Kabul are yet to make comment. Unmanned planes of U.S. military, usually target anti-government militants in the insurgency-battered Afghanistan. (Xinhua)

## Outlook Horoscope

### Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)



Noncommittal placation isn't a good enough response to your probing questions today. But when someone close to you won't give you a straight answer, you see right through their act and go looking for information yourself. Fortunately, your skepticism of the original appeasement leads you to clues that allow you to fill in the rest of the picture with near psychic accuracy.

### Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)



People probably have good reasons for not revealing their every thought today, but you're willing to play their games and keep your lips sealed. Your ability to read subtle nuances in body language makes you more comfortable with the silence between you, especially when the magnanimous Sun and generous Jupiter give you a bird's eye view of the interpersonal dynamics.

### Gemini (May 21-June 20)



They say the devil is in the details, and not a single one escapes your notice when you put your mind to it. It's as if you possess a cosmic magnifying glass when the incisive Scorpio Moon examines your 6th House of Minutiae, enabling you to pick up on things that would otherwise slip through the cracks. However, the outside world sees nothing but your smiling face today, leaving you to your investigation without arousing suspicion. Discretion is your secret to success.

### Cancer (June 21-July 20)



You may have a fresh perspective on family matters now, but you're not yet ready to let go of the current situation. Your brooding mood carries over into your personal interactions as you replay a scene in your mind, remembering another detail that explains the lingering tension. Although your friends might ask if everything is okay because you appear a little gloomy today.

### Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)



You're lost on a sentimental journey and you may be drawn to explore your family history now. There's something oddly fascinating about digging out old photo albums today and taking a trip down Memory Lane. Searching for ways the past shapes you can do a lot for your personal development, and even help you understand the motives of other people better.

### Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)



You may waffle back and forth at the start of an important conversation, but soon your laser focus kicks into action. You don't believe any nonsense today, and you're not dishing any out, either. Although your words are to the point, they contain layers of depth. Anyone reading between the lines sees the real connotations behind them. But don't assume you can pull the wool over everyone's eyes; you're not the only one with the persuasive Scorpio Moon in your corner now.

### Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)



You're often attracted to items that are beautiful or artful, tending toward frivolous purchases that provide temporary happiness. But there's no swindling you as the suspicious Scorpio Moon takes up post in your 2nd House of Values. You may be a harsh judge of how much something is worth today, but thankfully, an altruistic Sun-Jupiter connection validates your natural sense of fairness.

### Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)



Nothing is out of your reach today as long as you channel your emotional intensity toward a specific purpose. Left to run amok, the swell of energy from the unrelenting Scorpio Moon in your 1st House of Self could overpower your other senses and leave you in a state of overload.

### Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)



Although you want to stay behind closed doors today, your propensity for holding a wider outlook is not diminished. Retreating into your own private laboratory for some experiments yields surprisingly potent concoctions as the transformative Scorpio Moon hides out in your 12th House of Mystery. The best part about the theories you uncover now is that you can speculate about their potentials without the risk of putting them to the test publicly.

### Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)



You can't relate to people who seem content to dilly-dally and procrastinate in the workplace. You naturally gravitate toward others who share your single-minded approach, forming an alliance with which to march forward. Fortunately, you've not lost all your social graces and you can still interact amicably today, even with the most annoying coworkers. But keep your time with distractions limited and stick to your team of winners.

### Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)



You're fixated on your professional aspirations and you are passionately determined to achieve them. Conventional wisdom to keep your options open isn't helpful while the obsessive Scorpio Moon implores you to zero in on your target and brush everything else aside. However, don't underestimate the value of learning from those who already excel at what you seek to accomplish.

### Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)



It's easy to sympathize with those who struggle to find their direction now, since you often feel that way yourself. But you don't want to wallow in the waters of indecisiveness today; you're longing to follow your intuition wherever it leads. Setting off on a journey for answers when your destination is yet undetermined could seem reckless, but surrendering to the unknown is one of the most powerful steps you can take toward an enlightened future.

Crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-61 indicating starting positions for clues.

Across clues: 1. Madly in love, 5. Stop, 10. 2 2 2 2, 14. Cain's brother, 15. Extent, 16. Debauchee, 17. Baby's soft spot, 19. Exude, 20. Pelt, 21. Discussion group, 22. Hairstyles, 23. Flight attendant, 25. Classical Greek, 27. Frozen, 28. Tattletale, 31. Chivalrous, 34. Shorthand, 35. Utilize, 36. Adjoin, 37. Move quickly, 38. Skin disease, 39. Precious stone, 40. Peels, 41. Ending in a point, 42. Common venereal disease, 44. Father, 45. Clan emblem, 46. Illness, 50. Couples, 52. Luxurious, 54. A state of SW India, 55. Computer symbol, 56. Gossamer, 58. Not false, 59. Parental brother, 60. Sea eagle, 61. Command (archaic), 62. S-shaped moldings, 63. Bankrolls.

Down clues: 1. Hooks, 2. More or less, 3. Style, 4. Altitude (abbrev.), 5. A moderate yellow, 6. Make improvements, 7. Competent, 8. Foolishness, 9. French for "Summer", 10. Equatorial, 11. Groundhog, 12. Greek liqueur, 13. Views, 18. Quickly, 22. "Do \_\_\_ others...", 24. Droop, 26. Pig sound, 28. Pignpens, 29. Feudal worker, 30. Marsh plant, 31. Badgers, 32. Comply with, 33. Offensively self-assertive, 34. Fishing for shrimp, 37. Welt, 38. Assistant, 40. Quarries, 41. Ottoman title, 43. Vespid wasp, 44. Plates, 46. Double, 47. Ancient Greek marketplace, 48. Noise, 49. Relieves, 50. Gist, 51. Unit of land, 53. Shoestring, 56. Twosome, 57. Not used.

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NATRA BLOB NOVA  
ILLER BIETTE OVAL  
PASSAGEWAY CEDE  
BAY ANKLE  
ENFOLD MANTA  
COUPE BURCHBARK  
GUSP FIORIE BOBE  
ENERGIZES SUEDE  
EUROIS PATTEN  
GESTIE LOT  
ALAS ANTI BITOT TIC  
MAGI RIAP SHADE  
OREO MALI FILLIS  
KERN SPED YOKES

break, clock, conclude, confess, count, cues, digital, drink, embrace, examine, fair, florist, friend, fusion, great, humor, imperial, leave, nose, number, party, power, profession, rail, really, river, roast, rots, source, spring, stiff, train, valley.

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